

SENATE BILL 615
By Jackson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4,
Chapter 29 and Title 41, relative to abolishing the
Tennessee corrections institute.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 41, is amended by deleting Chapter 7 in its entirety and substituting instead the following new section:

41-7-101.

The department of correction shall contract with the American Correctional Association to:

(1) Train correctional personnel in the methods of delivering correctional services in municipal, county and metropolitan jurisdictions;

(2) Evaluate correctional programs in municipal, county and metropolitan jurisdictions. At the request of the commissioner of correction, the association may also evaluate state correctional programs;

(3) Conduct studies and research in the area of corrections and criminal justice in order to make recommendations to the governor, the commissioner of correction and the general assembly; and

(4) Inspect all local penal institutions, jails, workhouses or any other local correctional facility in accordance with § 41-4-140.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 41-4-140, is amended by deleting the language "Tennessee corrections institute" wherever it appears and substituting instead the language "American Correctional Association".

SECTION 3. The Tennessee code commission is directed to remove all references of the "Tennessee corrections institute" wherever it appears and substitute instead the language "American Correctional Association".

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-29-228(a), is amended by deleting item (37) in its entirety.

SECTION 5. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 4-29-112, or any other law to the contrary, the Tennessee corrections institute, created by title 41, chapter 7, part 1, shall terminate and shall cease all activities upon the effective date of this act.

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005, the public welfare requiring it.